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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Petition for a two-month extension of time accompanies the present response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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